Application No. 10/531,563

Amendment dated November 24, 2009 Reply to Office Action of June 24, 2009

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/531,563 Examiner: Theresa Trieu

Applicant: Hope et al. Art Unit: 3748

Title: ROTARY PISTON VACUUM PUMP

WITH WASHING INSTALLATION

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RCE AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 24, 2009, for which a two-month extension is requested, in support of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR §1.114. Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request for reconsideration of the application based on the amendments and remarks provided.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this Amendment